Good Roads Legislative Agenda

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WASHINGTON STATE GOOD ROADS AND TRANSPORTATION ASSOCIATION

111 YEARS OF SERVICE



Moving Forward

Building for the Present and the Future

We have work to do, workers that need work, infrastructure that is crumbling, and an historic opportunity to take advantage of low interest rates and phenomenal bidding climates for public projects. WSGRTA's recommendations for legislative policy action are focused on jobs, preservation, and investment now.

Near Term Transportation Funding WSGRTA supports a long



term funding package coupled with more immediate investment in our infrastructure. We support efforts to bond revenue streams to take advantage of this unique

opportunity while supporting jobs. We support having revenues indexed against the Construction Price Index to maintain their buying power. While the gas tax remains a critical funding source, alternative revenue sources should be developed, including fees on electric vehicles.

Preservation WSGRTA supports increased emphasis on preservation of the existing system. Falling behind through deferred maintenance has dire implications for future funding requirements. We simply cannot afford to reconstruct all of our existing assets. As the saying goes "pay me now, or pay me later." Studded tires are rapidly deteriorating our pavements, WSGRTA supports phasing out their use and charging a fee for existing use.

Safety Great strides have been made in safety over the past several decades, WSGRTA supports a continued emphasis on safety improvements, especially for rural roads.

Local Assistance The Cities and Counties have an ever increasing transportation funding problem. As a key part of the state transportation system, bolstering local transportation funding is a continuing priority for WSGRTA.

Now is the best time for substantial investment to support jobs and our economy...

Mobility Making sure our system continues to service our growing population while supporting jobs in our key employment sectors is a top priority for WSGRTA. System expansion as well as intelligent transportation system improvements are needed.

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Jobs, Jobs, Jobs...

Acceleration of the Washington State Economy while creating jobs with transportation investment. We have work to do...

